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Took Out Own Appendix

Brisbane, Jan. 14.—A soldier who took his own appendix out with the aid of a mirror and an ordinary knife, received the Military Cross and Bar at an investiture here today.

He is Captain Robert Kerr McLaren, a 50-year-old Scottish born veterinary surgeon from Bundaberg, Queensland.

Captain McLaren said: "I know I had appendicitis and would die unless I did something. I used a mirror and an ordinary knife for the operation—it was hell. But I came out all right and used jungle fibro to stitch the wound."

He performed the operation in Mindanao, in the Philippines, in August 1944.—Reuter.

GUERRILLAS REPULSED

Arakhova Defenders Hold Out

Athens, Jan. 15.—Defenders of Arakhova withstood five assaults by 500 guerrillas on Wednesday in the battle for the town now in its second day, press reports said at noon.

Arakhova is only 20 miles from where the Greek Army started mopping up operations with an amphibious landing on the Northern shore of the Gulf of Corinth on Tuesday.

The Greek Air Force strafed the attackers and dropped ammunition and supplies to the defenders of Arakhova, which is being attacked from three sides.

No contact has been possible with the town for several hours, due, it is believed, to damage to the town's wireless.

Three national guard companies, three platoons of gendarmes and 40 armed civilians comprise the town's defenders.

In Northwest Greece, guerrilla pressure is reported to have forced the Greek army to withdraw from advanced positions near the Albanian frontier. Skirmishing continued, the reports said.—Associated Press.

TRAIN DISASTER

Quebec City, Jan. 14.—Five people killed when the east and west bound trains on the Transcontinental line crashed into each other about 400 kilometres northwest of Quebec City early today.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

So Much For Public Opinion

RADIO listeners will derive cold comfort from the Postmaster-General's statement on future broadcasting plans which he made at a press conference this week. The only conclusion to be reached is that no plans exist; that any locus of expansion have been shelved. ZBW and ZEK, operating on a couple of kilowatts are to remain third and even fourth rate stations—shameful examples of the narrow conceptions which persistently motivate official policy. Presumably it was only because questions on the subject were submitted that any reference at all was made to Hongkong's radio stations. The answers in effect were: a new transmitter is desired, but there are no funds available, and that in any event delivery will take two years; consideration is being given to the employment of women announcers, but as it is not the policy of the BBC to engage a great number of women announcers, well... a new studio has been requested, but this is tied up with the general question of housing government departments, and of course it will cost money... the subject of introducing commercial broadcasting, especially in Chinese programmes, is now being considered, and in due course a decision will be made. It was also indicated that the functions of the Broadcasting Advisory Committee are to act in a consultative and advisory capacity to the Postmaster-General so that he be kept informed as to public ideas and wishes connected with broadcasting generally. The plous hope is expressed that the Advisory Committee's recommendations are acted upon with somewhat more readiness than the substantial expression of public opinion contained in last year's ZBW survey conducted by this paper. The general conclusions of that poll are worth recalling. They were

Briton And His Wife Slain By Terrorists

ARABS ATTACK JEWISH SETTLEMENTS

Jerusalem, Jan. 14.—A British civilian, Mr Thomas Berry, employed by the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, and his Jewish wife, the daughter of a Tel-Aviv judge, were shot and killed early today outside the headquarters of the British Second Infantry Brigade. The assailants ambushed the couple from cover out of sight of the sentries guarding the headquarters, the police stated.

A British army officer searching a new commercial centre in Jerusalem today for a Jewish woman, reported to have been taken away by Arabs, found her lying in an alley with three bullets in her head. Troops cordoned off the area and conducted a search but no trace was found of the woman's attackers.

A British soldier was shot and wounded by Arabs in the Majdal area, in southern Palestine yesterday, army reports stated.

Meanwhile, British police in Jerusalem today answered more calls for help from two isolated Jewish settlements on the Jerusalem-Hebron Road in south Palestine where Jewish sources reported a large source of Arabs had launched heavy dawn attacks.

Strong bands of Arabs brandishing rifles, knives and an assortment of other weapons, rushed from mountain village strongholds and swept down from the Hebron Hills to join the quickly growing Arab force attacking the Jewish settlements.

The Arabs barricaded the roads and laid down mines to prevent the police from reaching the settlements.

The attacks began with a force of 20 or 30 Arabs raking one of the four grouped settlements with automatic rifle fire and cutting the settlements' telephone lines.

COUNTER-FIRE

The Jews laid down heavy counter-fire and the battle developed with the arrival of Arab reinforcements which were said to be racing along the roads from Bethlehem and Hebron, as well as from the West, in cars and lorries to join the Arab battle groups.

Arab reports suggested that many hundreds of Arabs were engaged in the fighting.

The police came under rifle fire from hill positions as they tried to fight through the Arab cordons to relieve the threatened Jews.

Unknown gunmen ambushed a car flying the flag of the Iraqi Consul-General on the Jerusalem-Hebron Road and seriously wounded the chauffeur and two women occupants of the car—said to be the Consul-General's relatives.

According to one of the wounded, the attackers wore army uniforms and civilian clothes.

JERUSALEM EXPLOSIONS

Five explosions shook Jerusalem tonight. They were attributed to Jewish mortar barrage on the Arab Sheikh Jarrah quarter by Haganah. Machinegun fire could be heard.

Observers on Mount Scopus overlooking the attacked quarter said that some 12 to 15 shells fell on roofs of Arab houses as passersby scattered for shelter.

Border-land battles between the twin cities of Tel-Aviv and Jaffa, on the Palestine coast, killed four Arabs and a four-year old child.

Two members of the Higher Executive and the District Commissioner of the British police drove to the Jewish settlements near Hebron, south of Jerusalem, earlier today to halt Arab attacks on the isolated settlements.

An army spokesman said the officials had driven to the fighting area, 30 kilometres south of Jerusalem. He added that British troops had not yet been called into action.

RED INDIAN TACTICS

The Arabs were reported to be using "Red Indian" tactics, encircling the settlements under cover of fire from snipers while continuous machinegun fire came from the Jewish defenders lining the perimeter of the settlement defences.

All consulates represented in Jerusalem have been granted formal permission by the Palestine Government to bring in troops from their countries for consular guard duties, it was learned tonight.

The Yrgun Zvai Leumi, Zionist revisionist terrorist organisation, tonight accused Haganah of kidnapping Yrgun members and warned it to stop.

It also gave warning against letting Palestine become "a second Greece."

Jewish sources here claimed tonight that up to 100 Arabs were killed when they were blown up on minefields in an attempt to smash into the Jewish settlements while another 300 were killed in the fighting.

The Arabs were pinned on the minefields by automatic fire, these sources claimed.

Official Arab quarters denied these claims and British sources were unable to confirm or deny them.—Reuter.

NEW YORK ARRESTS

New York, Jan. 14.—Federal Bureau of Investigation agents today arrested four men over an attempt to ship TNT to Palestine and warrants were issued for the arrest of two other men believed to be on their way to the Holy Land.

The charges are based on the seizure on January 3, of 30 crates of TNT listed with the United States Customs as containing "used industrial machinery and parts."

The arrested men were charged with violation of the United States code in giving false statements regarding exports.—Reuter.

Secret Evacuation Plan

Lake Success, Jan. 14.—Great Britain prepared today to lay before the United Nations Palestine Commission an expanded and highly secret plan for pulling out from Palestine.

The Commission, which will supervise the partition of the Holy Land, has agreed to a demand of the British delegate, Sir Alexander Cadogan, that the detailed blueprint for transferring authority to the United Nations will be kept "strictly confidential."

Setting a pace beyond expectations, the five-nation group is ready to follow up the Cadogan hearing by calling Moshe Shertok, political chief of the Jewish Agency, on Thursday or Friday.

Without waiting to learn the latest British programme, the Philippines delegate, Mr Vincent J. Francisco, faces up to the main problem by preparing to introduce a proposal designed to prod the Security Council into considering immediately the necessity of an international police force to back the partition.—United Press.

Russia Seen As Big Naval Power

AIMS TO BUILD SUBSTANTIAL MERCANTILE MARINE

Washington, Jan. 14.—Lieut P. W. Rairden, Jr., of the United States Navy, today asserted that the United States "must face the prospect of great Soviet sea power in the future," with a large Red Navy fleet "based in the Port Arthur-Vladivostok-Petropavlovsk area" of the Far East.

Mob Violence Is Answer To Gandhi's Fast

New Delhi, Jan. 14.—Mob violence broke out here and dispatches reported the slaughter of 1,300 Hindus and Sikhs in Pakistan as Mohandas Gandhi entered the second day of his "fast, unto death" in protest against Hindu-Moslem enmity.

From his bed on the terrace of his villa, Mr Gandhi told those at his prayer meeting today: "God made me start my fast and He alone can make me end it."

He said he was becoming so weak that he might not be able to speak to his followers tomorrow. He also said he was receiving appeals by cablegram from abroad urging him to end his fast, but that he must persist in it.

"I remember my boyhood dream of united India," said Mr Gandhi. "Now I am an old man on the brink of death. If the Hindus, Moslems and Sikhs and others achieve real, lasting unity, my heart will dance."—United Press.

DEFIES DOCTORS

New Delhi, Jan. 14.—Mahatma Gandhi, the spiritual leader of India's millions, 30 hours after his last meal, disregarded his doctors' advice and in a hoarse whisper, spoke to an audience of 500 people who attended his prayer meeting today.

On the second day of his fast, to bring about the unity of Hindus and Moslems, there was no sign of any change in the condition of the Mahatma, except that he did not walk so briskly and his voice was quieter than usual.

"The day is not far off when I shall not have enough strength to speak or move," he said.

"Although the doctors advised me not to attend this meeting, I am not in the doctors' hands but in the hands of God. I do not care even if I die."—Reuter.

Cold Wave Hits Parts Of U.S.

Chicago, Jan. 14.—The winter's most severe cold wave today chilled residents in a wide belt from the Rocky Mountains to the Appalachians, and in International Falls, Minnesota, where residents are suffering a fuel-oil shortage—the mercury fell to 30 degrees below zero (Fah.).

Sub-zero temperatures were reported in many other communities in the North Central States, where the shortage of fuel oil complicated the problem of keeping warm.

Other low temperatures included 25 below zero at Pembina, North Dakota, 22 below at Duluth, Minnesota, and 20 below at Alexandria, Minnesota.

The cold extended far south of New Orleans, where temperatures dropped to below freezing.—United Press.

MARSHALL PLAN: SNYDER MAKES A NEW PLEA

Washington, Jan. 14.—Mr John Snyder, the Under-Secretary for the Treasury, told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today that he was opposed to requiring the 16 European nations receiving aid under the Marshall Plan to use their dollar holdings in the United States to help pay for European recovery.

Mr Snyder said it would be folly to force them to do so as the citizens of these countries, he said, had about \$4,800,000,000 in dollar assets on June 30, last year.

He added that it would be difficult to get the cash readily on most of these assets as some were already pledged for loans; that the Europeans needed the funds to cover their normal trade and financial operations, and that their holdings already were below a "safe" amount needed to keep their own currencies steady.

Mr Snyder explaining the financial manner in which they should be taken," he said.

After stating that assistance to Western Europe should be provided as a combination of grants in aid and loans, Mr Snyder said: "The criterion for selecting one or the other form should be the capacity of recipient countries to earn, in the years to come, the dollars which would be needed to pay the interest on capital. We should take care not to insist that these countries contract additional dollar debts which will absorb their dollar earnings in such a degree as to operate to the disadvantage of future trade and private investment," he said.—Reuter.

DOLLARS GUARANTEE

(2) Five percent of the programme funds should be set aside to guarantee private American firms United States dollars in exchange for the foreign currencies they earn through investment in those countries, the purpose being to attract private investment abroad.

(3) Congress should permit the United States aid money to be spent on buying goods in short supply for the Marshall Plan countries in Canada, Latin America and elsewhere, or to be spent in one Marshall Plan country to buy goods for another one.

(4) Separate agreements will be required from each beneficiary country assuring that steps will be taken to steady its currency. This would be done through a balanced budget, tax law changes, and at the proper time by devaluing inflated currencies to a point in line with their true buying power.

(5) Each beneficiary country will also be required to set aside local currency in an amount equal to the dollar grants in aid given by the United States and use it for the reduction of its public debt unless the United States authorize use for reconstruction or development purposes.

The United States should lend gold and dollars later, possibly this year and probably the next, to furnish the European countries with hard money reserves to bolster the value of their own paper money and keep it steady.

FREE CO-OPERATION

"If entire aid for European countries were on a loan basis it would be practically impossible for them to meet additional annual charges from their earnings of dollars even after trade and investments return to normal," he said.

Emphasising the necessity of "precise" the spirit of free and friendly co-operation between the United States and European Governments," Mr Snyder urged that there should be a minimum of dictation to the Marshall Plan's recipient nations in financial aspects of the plan.

"I am sure this country does not wish to dictate to these friendly countries either the particular details of their own economic policy or the exact

On The China Front

Big Victory Claimed By Nationalists

Peiping, Jan. 14.—A spokesman of Gen. Fu Tso-yi's headquarters claimed today a major victory in the three-day battle southwest of Peiping, which was said to have crippled the main Communist forces in Hopei, thus lifting the threat to the Peiping-Pooting area.

He said that both sides used main forces in the battle for Laishui, 45 miles southwest of Peiping. Once the Reds broke into a section of Laishui but were driven out by reinforcements. The Nationalist reinforcements reached Peiyuan and Changning near Laishui and drove the Reds to the mountains westward. The spokesman said the Communists suffered heavy casualties.—United Press.

EVACUATION URGED

Hankow, Jan. 14.—All American missionaries in the Yangtze valley region were urged to leave today as fighting broke out near Laohokow, endangering the air evacuation planned for tomorrow.

The American Consul, Mr Leonard Nelson, was said to have asked the missionaries to make immediate use of evacuation facilities. He said that some refused and insisted on staying at their posts, although the majority will take advantage of the air rescue.

One group of 25 was evacuated from Chengchow, 36 miles north of Hankow, bringing the total of persons evacuated by air from Hupeh and Honan provinces in the last two weeks to 125.

A rescue plane flew back to Chengchow for a second load today, planning to return to Hankow before making a trip to Laohokow.

Fighting between the Nationalists and raiders of Communist Lu. Pochen flared today at Tanchien, 40 miles northeast of Laohokow.

Mr Daniel Nelson, chairman of the Lutheran World Federation in charge of the air evacuation programme, said he feared that the fighting will endanger the rescue work tomorrow.

Nelson said he did not receive any notification that the Chinese Air Force has granted permission to the rescue plane Saint Paul to land at Laohokow, adding that we would not dare to land until permission is granted.—United Press.

Landslide Kills 21

Dar-Es Salaam, Jan. 14.—A landslide killed 21 Africans, seriously injured 15 others and destroyed the homes of 21 more on the main Kilosa-Ikara Road in Tanganyika today.

A mile of road was deluged in rocks, earth and torrents of water. Hundreds were buried in the debris.—Reuter.

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"Couldn't you do it in the kitchen, dear? I've just had this carpet cleaned!"

THE STRANGEST CLUB IN THE WORLD

S MUDGE is a black retriever with a white shirt front and white socks. At one time during World War II, he and his master, Flight Lieutenant. H. L. Mackay, D.F.C., former mid-upper gunner of a heavy bomber, were stationed at Pocklington airfield, Yorkshire.

Smudge always knew when his master was going out on "ops." He would lie on the floor, sorrowfully watching him collect flying boots and kit. When the time came to say goodbye, he would lick his master's hand and go quickly to the window, from which, pressing his nose against the pane, he watched him walk out of sight.

It was Smudge's custom to dine at 8 o'clock prompt. It was a date he never missed and he was most punctilious about the time. One night, while the bomber was not over Germany, his dinner was brought as usual, and he waded into it with his customary enthusiasm. Suddenly he stopped dead, looked at the door, and began walking round the room, making a distressing, mournful noise. Finally, after jumping at the window, he lay down in a corner and put his head under his paws, leaving the remainder of his dinner uneaten. Twenty minutes later, he jumped up, shook himself, barked, wagged his tail and cleaned up his plate.

Caught Fire

WHEN his master returned, Smudge gave him a rapturous welcome. In the mess, Mackay related the incidents of the night: how on the run over Dusseldorf the aircraft had been hit and caught fire, and for 20 minutes the crew had battled with the flames before they were extinguished.

And from the log book it was established that the dog's anxiety had corresponded with the time the aircraft was on fire.

Several such examples of the uncanny intuition of animals are to be found in Dorothea St. Hill Bourne's "They Also Serve" (Winchester Publications, 5s. 6d.). 83 illustrations, which tell the story of the "strangest" club in the world, the Allied Forces Mascot Club, membership of which is limited to Service animals and mascots of the fighting forces and civil defence units of World War II.

Smudge, like many of the other 3,000 members, may seem to have played an insignificant part in the long days of peril and defeat, of

danger and victory. But those who remember the companionship and amusement these pets gave to men and women doing a tough and often lonely job, how they became part, and an important part of their units, sharing hardship and relaxation, will be delighted to find in this narrative a permanent record their lovable personalities as well as a deserved tribute to the British Servicemen's love of animals.

The company in this Club and in this book is varied to put it mildly. Some members accomplished deeds of heroism, guarding air-

By PETER LOVEGROVE

fields, carrying messages and Red Cross supplies, locating buried mines, patrolling, and detecting casualties under the debris of our bombed cities; they received decorations; had their share of the limelight in Press and on radio; appeared in Victory parades; were even presented to Royalty.

Among these is Judy, a pointer bitch, whom the Japanese registered officially as P.O.W. No. 81 Medan; Rob, the 2nd S.A.S. Regt's paratroop collie, who jumped many times into enemy territory; Rifleman Khan the Alsatian, who saved his handler's life under heavy shellfire at the Walcheren crossing; sheepdog Rieky, one of the best human mine detectors in the Army; Punch the boxer, who fought terrorists in Jerusalem; Bob, the 6th Bn. Royal West Kent's gallant patrol collie; Jet and Irma, who did wonders in the Blitz; homing pigeon heroes of real life spy thrillers such as Kenley Lass, Maquis and Commando; a veteran of Arnhem, William of Orange; and the American G. I. Joe, who saved the lives of hundreds of men of the 109th Infantry Brigade in Italy.

Dogs and birds are in the majority on the Club's books. But there are also donkeys—such as Founder Member, won in a darts match and probably the only one of his kind to travel by underground; the North Somerset Yeomanry's Nabius-born Lady Moe, who had her own oxygen mask. The goat section includes the Highland Division's Willie, who joined up at Tobruk and travelled everywhere (and not always legally) with the 51st; Group Captain Billy, who had his own slit trench luxuriously carpeted with straw; and Lewis, who made a brave sight in full parade order with his polished hocks and gilded horns at the British Legion Festival at the Albert Hall.

• A well-known former London magistrate on why there are so many

DANGEROUS MARRIAGES

... by CLAUD MULLINS

A MONG the lesser causes of a marriage failures are "forced" marriages, rash marriages, absence of homes, the absence of fathers; and the cinema.

When a young woman has, or is about to have, an "illegitimate" child, great pressure on both her and the father often comes from her parents, and sometimes from his, with the object of securing marriage.

These "forced" marriages are dangerous. They can, of course, be successful, but only often they end in failure. Those who press for such marriages usually believe that this is the

only way in which the parents can become "respectable." But respectability comes rather from efforts to do the best for the child. Therefore these marriages should not take place unless it is likely that the child will have a normal home, with both parents doing their best for the child and for the children that follow.

Public money 'irresistible'

A MONG the causes of rash marriages war conditions are prominent. Often the short notice of service overseas led to marriages which, if delayed a few months, might never have taken place. With some men the fact that a wife would be maintained from public funds proved irresistible.

I saw some such men who were under 21 years of age; when parents will not give permission to marry, application can be made to a Magistrate's Court for permission. Many times, after hearing these applications, I came to the conclusion that the underlying urge to marry was the fact that public funds would maintain the wives. No thought had been given to ability to support a wife after the war. One cannot blame these men, for conditions were utterly abnormal.

It would have been better if allotments to soldier's wives had been given only after an engagement of a minimum period. The State is now paying vast sums to the Law Society to enable it to obtain divorces for large numbers of war-time marriages, so the State would have been justified in laying down conditions upon which alone wives would be maintained out of public funds.

Living with the 'in-laws'

A NOTHER way of preventing rash marriages would have been to have had Preparation for Marriage units for the Forces.

A great work is now being done by Marriage Guidance Councils to help couples intending marriage. If such help had been available during the war, many unduly rash marriages might have been prevented. For ignorance of the essentials of marriage is widespread.

The absence of homes for young married people is often tragic in its effects. Some couples succeed well in life with the parents of one of them. But these are the exceptions. When listening to applications for separation I have over and over again come to the conclusion that the parties would have been able to avoid their quarrels and difficulties if they had had a home of their own.

The enforced, but unavoidable, absence of husbands in so many homes had disastrous effects. It placed a strain on both husband and wife which, I fully agree, should have been bearable. But those of an heroic mould are comparatively few.

Plenty of children suffered severely from the absence of their fathers. Psychology teaches that a father stands for law and order. It is significant that the volume of juvenile crime leapt up when war took so many fathers away from their homes.

Can divorces be prevented?

SOME recent remarks of mine about the effect of the cinema on marriage were widely reported. What is wrong in so many films is not that they are glamorous, but that they encourage the belief that glamour is the main feature of marriage.

The prolonged kisses of the cinema are all very well, but they are not the features of marriage that are the most important. Glamour cannot last indefinitely. If its value is exaggerated, there is a danger that when it wanes, husband and wife find themselves desolate and without those qualities of comradeship, mutual respect, common interests and sense of duty that are the qualities that make marriages permanent.

In January last the Denning Committee recommended that help for Marriage Guidance Centres and soon afterwards the Lord Chancellor stated that this recommendation was accepted by the Government. Since then the Home Office has been working out a practical plan. Those who believe that many divorces can be prevented by conference and advice eagerly awaiting this plan, for although these centres raise much money from those whom they help and those who appreciate their work, they cannot be fully self-supporting.

Many of those who seek separation or divorce could with help find a better way out of their difficulties in one of these centres.

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

FRUSTRATIONIST poetry is technically ideological only in so far as it integrates all experience by suppressing punctuation, as M. Aragon does. It also follows Tufekoff in suppressing emotion, Barni in suppressing grammar and construction, and Filper in suppressing sense. As one reads one is conscious of an enormous vitality controlled by a dynamic discipline based on discipline. One seems to glimpse the entrails of the world under a microscope, which is what Schapito meant by unravelling the skeins of being. Filper goes further. He announces the annihilation of nothing as the last victory of a neo-quietist evolution.

Her energy and enthusiasm did not abate with the termination of hostilities, and many Servicemen have had reason to be grateful for her assistance in getting their pets repatriated and over the quarantine hurdles when the luck of the ballot was against them.

In "They Also Serve," she manages to communicate her tremendous zest and love of animals, and it will remain, as Admiral of the Fleet Lord Mountbatten remarks in his introduction, "a live memorial to the animals who were companions in adversity of our fighting forces and the great civilian community who stood up so finely to the attacks of a brutal enemy."

A reactionary suggestion
I AM afraid the admirable suggestion by a fellow-hack that

December 17, 1904, should be kept as a day of mourning will seem to most people reactionary, unprogressive, and all the rest of it. On that day the flying machine made its first flight in North Carolina, and everybody knows how progressive the world has become since then, and what a boon the conquest of the air has been to the human race. As somebody said the other day, "The airplane is only in its infancy," which means, look out for 12-engined robot monsters, jet-propelled, travelling as fast as light, and able to carry enough dynamite to wipe out one city every three minutes.

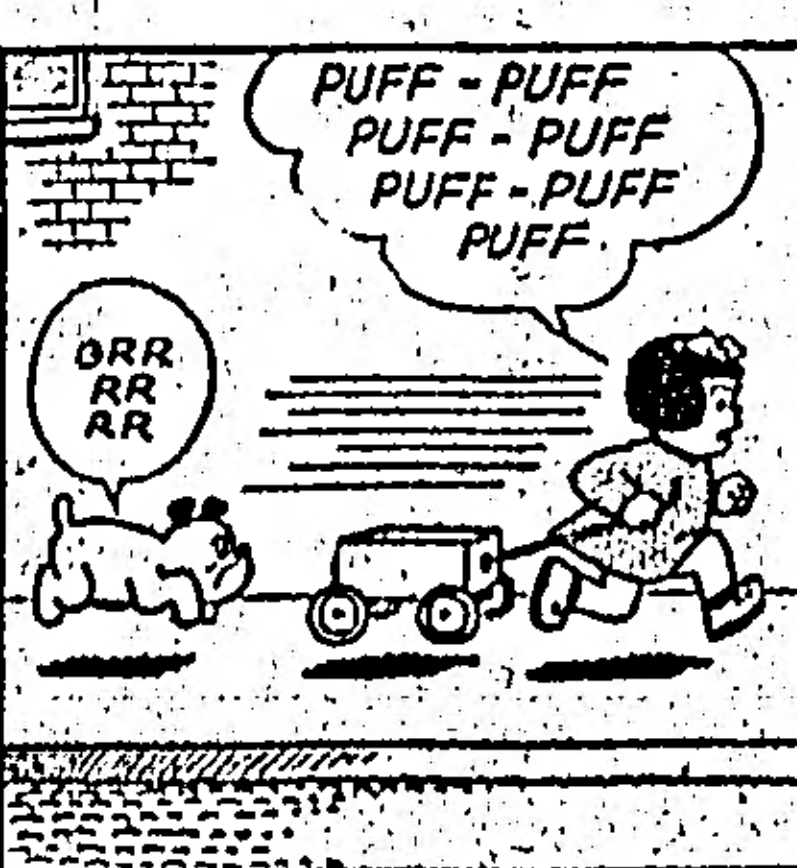
Epitaph

Here lies an infant centipede. Who for compassion begs: He fell downstairs in his father's boots. And broke his hundred legs.

In passing

I THOUGHT someone would write to tell me that the statue of St. Joan is not in front of the hotel at Chillon. For people who go to Chillon stay at the excellent Hotel d'Or, or perhaps at the Hotel de France, at both of which is a garage. But my hotel is the tiny little one in the Place Jeanne d'Arc called the Lion d'Or, which is simple and quiet.

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